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I. Shinji Shumeikai

Special, 2004

Introduction

Shinji Shumeikai's (Shumei) was established to transform food systems, empower smallholder farmers and promote harmony with nature.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Shumei is dedicated to working toward the betterment of the human community and fostering a way of life that is in harmony with nature.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Shumei's main work included promoting, practicing and teaching sustainable agriculture methods, including preserving biodiversity, restoring soil health, reducing greenhouse gases and encouraging sustainable lifestyles. The organization's programmes, which include capacity building and training, contributed to poverty reduction, supported small holder farmers, increased the status of women and reduced CO_2 emissions. The organization has worked on disaster risk reduction in Japan, co-sponsored the International Conference on Organic & Ecological Agriculture in Mountain Ecosystems and conducted educational forums on sustainable food systems in Japan. Through its museum, it has utilized art as a means of cultivating an appreciation for beauty and the natural environment.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Shumei participated in Rio+20, where it co-sponsored a high-level dinner with its lead partner, Biovision to highlight the importance of sustainable food systems. The organization also held a side event on empowering small holder farmers and transforming food systems; published a book entitled "Visions of the Living Earth", a collection of essays on the importance of nature by prominent authors from around the world; and gave away over 1000 copies of the book at the 2012 People's Summit during Rio+20. Representatives also participated in sessions of the Open Working Group on the Sustainable Development Goals, the 2015 Stocktaking and Stakeholder Preparatory Forum, and the Intergovernmental Negotiations on the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

The organization has donated US$ 94,230 to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in Japan since 1999.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Shumei implemented natural agriculture programmes around the world that support and teach ecological approaches to agriculture, preserve biodiversity, and encourage sustainable lifestyles through the creation of model farms, training programmes and engaging experts in the field of sustainable agriculture in symposiums and forums for the general public. It also promoted an appreciation of beauty through programmes in the arts. The organization's partnership programme in the Republic of Zambia has grown to over seven thousand rural women farmers and it recently began working with farmers in Madagascar, to teach ecological agriculture methods, and created a model farm for training and capacity building.

2. Ship and Ocean Foundation

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Ship and Ocean Foundation (OPRF) works as a think tank to create a harmonious relationship between mankind and the oceans through ocean policy research, policy recommendations and publication of information.

Aims and purposes of the organization

OPRF works toward new ocean governance and the realization of world peace and security.

Significant changes in the organization

The Ship and Ocean Foundation (OPRF) merged with the Sasakawa Peace Foundation on 1 April 2015. The new umbrella organization continues to use the organizational name Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF).

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

No cooperation was specified.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

OPRF participated in Rio+20; the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS); the 21st session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC COP21); meetings of State Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS); the Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (UNICPOLOS); the 8th session of the Open Working Group (OWG) on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs); and the 6th meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

At Rio+20, OPRI, together with the Global Ocean Forum, the Global Environment Fund, the United Nations Development Programme and others, organized a side event, the Oceans Day, which also led to including the Ocean section in the Rio+20 Outcome Document. At the SIDS Conference, OPRI co-organized a side event to promote the implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (S.A.M.O.A. Pathway). OPRI, in cooperation with the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Secretariat, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other organizers, held the Oceans Day at COP21 to advocate for the oceans and climate change agenda.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

OPRI initiated work on targets to reduce carbon dioxide by shipping industries and protection of coastal marine areas and marine biodiversity.

3. Sigma Theta Tau, National Honorary Society of Nursing

Special, 2012

Introduction

Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI), the only international nursing honour society worldwide, is a global community of nurse leaders with over 135,000 active members, living in 92 countries and 509 chapters located in 28 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The mission of STTI is advancing world health and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

STTI supported scholarship and excellence in nursing through numerous professional development, evidence-based nursing, research and educational programmes, events, products and services. The Society conducted special information sessions on its role at the United Nations during its annual International Nursing Research Congress. It also created and distributed a one-page flyer to promote the Sustainable Development Goals.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

STTI held a parallel event at the 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women and its youth representatives attended various United Nations meetings including 24 briefings during 2013. Representatives held a workshop at the

65th Annual United Nations Department of Public Information/NGO Conference titled "Beating the Drum for Maternal-Child Health in Africa: Strengthening the Health of Mothers and Children through Quality Improvements in Nursing and Midwifery", and also attended meetings of the World Health Organization (WHO) Executive Board and the World Health Assembly.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

STTI Representatives attended and contributed to a WHO workshop to develop an implementation plan for the Global Standards for the Initial Education of Professional Nurses and Midwives which was implemented in 2012.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

STTI's Institute for Global Healthcare Leadership prepared health-care leaders to effectively work in and/or lead major public health departments, Ministry of Health initiatives, public or private organizations, and global programmes and initiatives. The Center for Excellence in Nursing Education focused on advancing global excellence in nursing education and preparing highly skilled nurses to elevate the level of patient care in an increasingly diversified population. STTI's Maternal Child Health Nurse Leadership Academy developed the leadership skills of maternal-child health nurses and midwives who work in a variety of health-care settings to prepare them for effective inter-professional team leadership as they strive to improve the quality of health care for childbearing women, and children up to five years old.

4. Sir William Beveridge Foundation

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Sir William Beveridge Foundation is an international charity that seeks to address the problems of pervasive and grinding poverty.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Foundation aims for effective involvement of people in the civic, political and entrepreneurial aspects of their community, their country and the world.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Foundation provided culturally appropriate care services at home for senior citizens; observed World Alzheimer's Day and the International Day for Elderly; signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Help Age International; conducted a training programme on dementia and elderly care; participated at the Asia Pacific Regional Conference by Alzheimer's Disease International; engaged in a survey

programme in partnership with Aging Support Forum, including a Rural Survey on Dementia Prevalence & Socio-Demographic Status; participated in a Master Trainer Programme in the Republic of Singapore; opened a Stroke Rehabilitation, Physiotherapy & Dementia cafe; observed Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month; participated in World Elder Abuse Awareness Day activities; and presented research on the "Socio-economic Condition and Dementia of Elderly in Rural Bangladesh".

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Foundation introduced "ROKAMINA Care Model" that includes home care, neuro-physiotherapy at home, dementia counselling, health support, palliative and end of life care. It also began a Dementia Awareness Campaign in Bangladesh; launched a website; started a volunteer's programme; developed TV programmes and other media on Dementia Alzheimer's; disseminated information on dementia diagnosis and care; conducted training on dementia at the National University; convened the First International Conference "Dementia and Bangladesh: Challenges of an Ageing Population"; formed Bangladesh Dementia Action Alliance; conducted a free health camp for dementia sufferers; and launched a Dementia Day Care Centre, a radio programme on dementia, a dementia helpline and newsletters.

5. Smile Foundation

Special, 2012

Introduction

Smile Foundation's mission is to empower underprivileged children, youth and women through quality education, nutrition support, innovative health care and employability enhancement programmes.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Smile Foundation catalyses sustainable change in the lives of its focus group with a life cycle approach to development.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Smile engaged in 158 welfare projects in 732 villages and slums across 25 states of India. These included projects for nutrition support, education, employment training, gender equality sensitization, women's empowerment,

maternal and child health care, safe motherhood counselling, and health-care services. It observed International Women's Day, World Water Day, World Tuberculosis Day, World Environment Day, World AIDS Day, World Teacher's Day, Universal Children's Day, among others.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Smile submitted written statements to the 57th session of the Commission on the Status of Women, the 48th session of the Commission on Population and Development, the 2015 Economic and Social Council High-level segment: Annual Ministerial Review, and the 54th session of the Commission for Social Development.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

Smile used the information, education and communication and reference materials provided by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) on child rights, gender equity and justice, reproductive health and HIV/AIDS. Smile consulted with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to mobilize collective efforts in the disaster affected areas of Rudraprayag District of Uttarakhand, India.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Smile's "Mission Education Programme" improved learning outcomes for underprivileged children through participatory teaching and learning materials, capacity building of teachers, nutrition support to children and infrastructure support in partnership with competent community organizations. The Foundation provided quality health-care services in poor neighbourhoods through Mobile Medical Units (Smile on Wheels) and health camps, worked in coordination with the Government of India, especially the health department, to help it achieve universal health care, and provided career counselling and specialized training in English, life-skills, personality development, retail management and computer skills to underprivileged youth along with placement assistance under the Smile Twin e-learning programme. Smile's Swabhiman (Dignity) Programme empowered women and girls to seek reproductive and child health care, and facilitated higher education merit scholarships for deserving girls. Smile also engaged men on the issues of reproductive and child health and education for girls.

6. Social Action Forum for Manav Adhikar

Special, 2008

Introduction

Social Action Forum for Manav Adhikar (SAFMA) is a national organization comprising lawyers, professionals and educators all committed to the protection and promotion of Human Rights.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SAFMA works for the protection and promotion of human rights of the vulnerable and marginalised segments of Indian society.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SAFMA contributed to protection of human rights, gender equality, against gender based violence, environmental sustainability and issues of social and economic development. The organization also provided financial assistance to dying and destitute women, reunited people with their families who had been separated because of mental illness, and provided recreation facilities for poor children.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization filed public actions in the Supreme Court to protect economically vulnerable women who were subjected to domestic violence; it provided financial assistance for a commemorative programme for the young woman whose brutal gang rape shook the nation, forcing the government to review women's security issues, and leading to amendments in the law; it provided counselling to over 100 victims of dowry and domestic violence; it published user friendly legal literacy manuals on Land Rights of Women and Rights of Women Sanitation Workers; it conducted gender sensitisation workshops; and it implemented a Skill and Livelihood Enhancement Project in Delhi and an Environment Sustainability Awareness Project in Delhi and Mumbai. SAFMA also held a campaign to Prevent Child Abuse and Trafficking and filed a writ in the Delhi High Court seeking, among other reliefs, to protect child victims' 'right to know' when the offender is also a child. SAFMA initiated local capacity development initiatives by strengthening capacity of artisans and generating awareness of laws and challenges of globalization, with a view to protecting their Intellectual Property Rights under the Geographical Indications (GI) Act.

7. Social Service Agency of the Protestant Church in Germany

Special, 2004

Introduction

The Social Service Agency of the Protestant Church in Germany (SSAPCG) works to overcome poverty, injustice and inequality in Germany and over 90 countries in Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe and Latin America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SSAPCG aims to overcome poverty and injustice in Germany, in the Global South, and at the global level.

Significant changes in the organization

In 2012, SSAPCG merged with the Protestant Development Service (Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst). It is now registered in Germany as the Protestant Agency for Diakonie and Development (Evangelisches Werk für Diakonie und Entwicklung e.V.).

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In Germany, SSAPCG provided social services including health care services, care for older persons, services to persons with disabilities, support for immigrants, and assistance for people in poverty. In the Global South, it supported partner organisations in their projects which include improving health, food security and education, sustainable agriculture, human rights, and participation in decision-making processes.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

SSAPCG assisted representatives of 45 partner organisations from the Global South to participate in the 22nd Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Since 2012, SSAPCG has attended all sessions of the Human Rights Council (HRC). At many sessions, SSAPCG presented written and/or oral statements, and organised or co-organised side events. SSAPCG assisted partners in preparing for the 23rd and 24th Universal Periodic Review sessions of the HRC, presented oral statements at the 28th and 29th sessions of the HRC, produced the 2015 Shadow Report on the performance of Germany under the International Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination and presented the report at the 86th Session of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. SSAPCG participated in the 2013 High-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, and also in the 3rd International Conference on Financing for Development.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

SSAPCG participated in the 2014 and 2015 consultations with the Special Rapporteur on the Rights to Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and of Association and with the Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

SSAPCG contributed to food security for thousands of smallholder farmers, taught crop diversification and organic farming methods, operated a seed bank, supported training of "campaigners for AIDS awareness" and participated in the "OCEAN 2012" alliance, which campaigned on sustainability regulations for European Union-based fisheries.

8. Society for the Protection and Assistance of the Socially Disadvantaged Individuals

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Society for the Protection and Assistance of the Socially Disadvantaged Individuals (SPASDI), supports, educates, and empowers social harm victims, particularly children who have lost one or both of their parents to AIDS and women who have been infected with AIDS by their sexual partner and have HIV-positive children.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SPASDI aims to promote physical and mental health, reduce discrimination, and promote gender equality, health legislation and peace and harmony in society.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SPASDI supported HIV-positive children, adolescents, and adults to have access to the required tests, be readily informed about their disease status, receive potential treatment benefits as fast as possible, reduce the number of new HIV infections among children to zero, and stabilise the physical and mental health of their mothers. SPASDI empowered young people, women, sex workers, gay men, injecting drug users, transgender persons, prisoners, immigrants and others to access combination prevention services and to protect themselves against AIDS. The organization worked with men and women to stop gender-based violence, sexual violence and intimate partner (domestic) violence, so as to mitigate the risk and impact of AIDS. It worked to eliminate the punitive laws, policies, preventive measures, stigma and discrimination associated with providing proper responses to AIDS.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

SPASDI representatives participated in the 59th and 60th sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

SPASDI collaborated with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) for a HIV Awareness Campaign and with the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS and UNICEF for AIDS Day and AIDS Orphans Day.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

SPASDI provided financial support and a "basket of goods" to meet the basic needs of its service recipients; held vocational-training workshops and provided mothers with equipment such as sewing machines, carpet frames/scaffolding, fabric, and leather supplies for producing leather handicrafts, and introduced them to recruitment centres for employment; helped HIV positive mothers with modern medical principles and rules including timely administration of medication, proper birth delivery techniques, free infant formula to avoid breastfeeding and anti-retroviral therapy for HIV-positive mothers; established a hotline, mobile clinic, and training of trainers to support MDG6.

9. Society for the Protection of the Rights of the Child

Special, 2004

Introduction

The Society for the Protection of the Rights of the Child (SPARC) is one of Pakistan's leading child rights organizations.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SPARC promotes and protects the rights of children in accordance with international standards and empowers them through advocacy supported by research, awareness raising, service delivery and human and institutional development.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization changed leadership in November 2015.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SPARC produced an annual report, The State of Pakistan's Children, detailing the Government's endeavours towards promotion of child rights under the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the level of commitment and gaps to be bridged.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

SPARC's provincial representatives are a part of the United Nations Children's Fund Pakistan office Protection Cluster Meetings. The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Islamabad office was invited as a keynote speaker at the launch of the report Barriers to Girls Education in Selected Districts.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

SPARC has addressed quality education in government run schools in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, has reached out to victims of child, early and forced marriage through open distance learning and vocational training and addressed the state of health affairs through its publications, website alerts, newsletters and social media.

10. Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries

Special, 2000

Introduction

The Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries (MMS) is committed to peace, justice and sustainable development for people and the planet in 18 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MMS aims to promote health, well-being, care for the Earth and sustainable development.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

MMS contributed to the annual observances of World AIDS Day, International Women's day and Human Rights Day.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Throughout the reporting period, MMS representatives delivered oral and/or submitting written statements to the 50th-53rd sessions of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD); the High-level Meeting with the Bretton Woods Institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; the Annual ECOSOC Ministerial Review; the 56th-59th sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW); the High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development; sessions of the Open Working Group on the Sustainable Development Goals; the President of the General Assembly's High-level thematic

debates; and numerous side events during the CSW sessions, RIO+20 and the 2015 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Conference of the Parties (UNFCCC COP 21). Representatives also attended sessions of the World Health Assembly; the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples; the Department of Public Information/NGO Conference; the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction; the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit 2015; and the Third International Conference on Financing for Development.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

A United Nations Children's Fund HIV/AIDS specialist was MMS's guest in its nursing graduation ceremony at HF Hospital in Mandar, India.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MMS trained midwives, birth attendants and community health workers through the organization's hospitals and clinics, worked on prevention of foetal alcohol syndrome disorder (FASD) and on drug use in pregnant women with a national team from the United States; and provided community-based rehabilitation programmes for 200 families with disabled children living in extreme poverty.

11. Solar Cookers International

Special, 1996

Introduction

Solar Cookers International (SCI) leads and convenes the global solar cooking sector to benefit the world's most vulnerable citizens and the environment.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SCI works to make solar thermal cooking accessible in high-poverty regions of the world, networking with global and community-based organizations. SCI focuses on key regions where energy access is severely limited.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SCI contributed through advocacy and international direct service programmes focused on health, sustainability, the environment and women. SCI also distributed relief packages in Nepal following the 2015 earthquake.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

SCI representatives participated during the 56th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) and made a presentation at the parallel event, "From Seeding to Feeding: the Role of Women and Girls Across the Life Cycle of Food";

helped organize the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) dinner in honour of committee members at the 51st session of the CEDAW Committee, and attended the 16th Annual Health Promotion Briefing during the World Health Assembly "From Global Policy to Local Actions: Health Promotion beyond 2015". A SCI representative presented on a panel, "The impact of solar energy and our future" during the 65th annual Department of Public Information Non-Governmental Organization Conference and was a co-presenter during a parallel event on, "Solar Cooking for Sustainable Development," during the 58th session of the CSW. SCI presented during the "Maximizing the Benefits of Clean Cooking Fuels — Creating a Sustainable Mass Market" session during the 2015 Sustainable Energy for All Forum, and submitted a written statement for the 59th session of the CSW.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

During the reporting period SCI sponsored solar cooking demonstrations, conducted solar cooker assembling sessions, distributed solar cookers and organized the 2014 International Solar Cooking Convention to promote the latest developments and resources in the solar cooking sector.

12. Soroptimist International

General, 1984

Introduction

Soroptimist International (SI) mobilises its 80,000 members in 132 countries and territories to conduct projects and programmes at the local, national and international levels that focus on emerging issues and priority topics identified by the United Nations.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SI's overarching aim is to improve the lives and status of women and girls through education, empowerment or enabling opportunities.

Significant changes in the organization

On 30 August 2013, SI became incorporated as a not for profit company in accordance with England/Wales Company House rules.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Between 2012 and 2015, SI authored nearly 50 statements and co-signed nearly 200 statements on thematic issues being discussed within the United Nations system.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

SI attended a range of United Nations Commissions annually, including the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, the United Nations Environment Assembly, and the Department of Public Information NGO Conferences. SI Representatives also attended the Universal Periodic Review, the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the Committee on the Rights of the Child.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

At the national level, SI Representatives have participated in Special Rapporteur Consultations. SI is active at six United Nations Information Centres, and through an information feedback loop, SI Representatives provide information from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Human Rights Council, Food and Agriculture Organization World Food Programme, United Nations Environment Assembly, ECOSOC and other United Nations entities to drive grassroots projects.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The "See Solar, Cook Solar" project equipped primary schools, community centres and women's refuges with solar cookers and solar lamps that ensured women's and girls' access to education, provided them the possibility to start sustainable catering businesses and ensured food security. In Rwanda, SI's San Marco Residential Training Centre supported communities affected by the 1994 genocide by providing social and economic assistance to abandoned women and girls, in particular elderly women, widows and orphaned girls. The centre provides essential services, including safe women-only accommodation, a nursery and community rooms. Since May 2013, SI conducted a project in Italy that promotes dedicated rooms for minors in police stations and courtrooms that provide a safe and child-friendly space for interviews and psychological assessments. Many of the children are victims of child abuse, witnesses to domestic violence and other crimes.

13. Sri Swami Madhavananda World Peace Council

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Sri Swami Madhavananda World Peace Council (SSMWPC) is a humanitarian and charitable society which pursues improvement of the welfare of humanity.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SSMWPC aims to spread respect for human values, other cultures, traditions, nationalities and religions and to promote and support the realisation of the

Millennium Development Goals, the Sustainable Development Goals and the values of "The Earth Charter Initiative".

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SSMWPC launched an International Conference, entitled, "Yoga — A Path to Non-Violence and World Peace" on the International Day of Non-Violence and the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi at the Vienna International Centre, and participated in annual observances of International Day of Yoga, International Day of Peace and International Day of Non-Violence and public events in cooperation with Yoga in Daily Life Societies worldwide.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

SSMWPC representatives participated in the 2012 regular and resumed sessions of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations; Rio+20; World Interfaith Harmony Week; Interactive briefing with civil society convened by the President of the 68th session of the United Nations General Assembly; the 58th and 59th sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women; and the High-Level Thematic Debate on Promoting Tolerance and Reconciliation: Fostering Peaceful, Inclusive Societies and Countering Violent Extremism, convened by the President of the 69th session of the General Assembly.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

SSMWPC supported numerous humanitarian and charitable projects including a free school for girls; desert rainwater harvesting; preserving ancient handicrafts, arts and technologies; drought and famine relief; medical support; education and employment opportunities for people living in remote rural areas in Rajasthan; support to people living below the poverty line; animal welfare projects (Gaushala); international tree planting campaign; "Save the Birds" and "Jiv Jantu Board" initiatives to preserve indigenous plants and protect animals in their natural environment; and fund raising activities for the victims of the 2013 flash floods in Kedarnath, India and of the 2015 Nepal earthquake.

14. Stichting Rutgers WPF

Special, 2004

Introduction

Stichting Rutgers (Rutgers) was established to improve the sexual and reproductive health and rights of people in the Netherlands and the rest of the world, as well as to promote gender equality.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Rutgers envisages a world where all people are able to make their own sexual and reproductive choices free from discrimination, coercion and violence.

Significant changes in the organization

In 2015, the organization changed its name from Stichting Rutgers WPF into Stichting Rutgers and opened a new field office in Uganda.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Rutgers worked towards the implementation of the Programme of action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), the Platform for Action of the Fourth World Conference on Women, and the outcome documents of their international and regional review conferences.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Rutgers participated in and delivered oral and/or written statements at the 45th-48th sessions of the Commission on Population and Development; the 57th-59th sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women; and the 11th and 12th sessions of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

During the reporting period, Rutgers organised the annual launch of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) State of World Population report in the Netherlands and participated in the ICPD Beyond 2014 International Conference on Human Rights organised by UNFPA, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Government of the Netherlands. In Burundi and Pakistan, Rutgers collaborated with UNFPA on sexuality education. In Nigeria and Cameroon, Rutgers collaborated with UNFPA on a female condom programme, and the Rutgers Pakistan field office participated in a consultative SDG process organized by the United Nations Development Programme.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

With funding from the Government of the Netherlands, Rutgers WPF and alliance partners were able to provide 20 million young people, women and men in 8 countries with education and information about sexual and reproductive health and rights and trained 70,000 teachers to provide this education. The MenCare+

programme trained facilitators, health providers and counsellors for a fatherhood group focussing on gender based violence counselling. Through EuroNGOs, Rutgers WPF initiated and co-chaired the International Platform to Promote Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Beyond 2015, comprising a constituency of almost 2,000 organisations worldwide. Rutgers also had extensive programmes around sexuality education in the Netherlands and a research department underpinning its scientific research.

15. Stichting Spanda

Special, 2012

Introduction

Stichting Spanda (Spanda) is an international organization, based in The Hague, to bring about sustainable, long-term, global systemic change in culture, education, health, environment, economics, and research.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Spanda aims to promote creative solutions and strategic resources to attain higher individual and collective states of consciousness, and to foster social, economic and global development by pursuing initiatives that serve the common good and add social value.

Significant changes in the organization

There have no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Spanda participated in several e-discussions including on Global Citizenship, Jobs and Skills of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) for the Global Thematic Consultation on Education in the post-2015 Development agenda; on "Managing the transition from the Millennium Development Goals to the sustainable development goals: What it will take", (UNDP) and on "Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", and the E-Preparatory Dialogue for the 54th session of the Commission for Social Development on "Social development and implementation of the post-2015 development agenda" organized by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Moreover, the organization supported the overall development agenda through advocacy and outreach.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Spanda submitted a written statement on "Sustainable, Socially Responsible Educational Programmes" to the 2013 Economic and Social Council Substantive Session.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Jubilo Project addressed conflict prevention and transformation, ethnic integration and peace building through a comparative approach in intercultural and interfaith dialogue. The Mantra Project focussed on poverty reduction through green microfinance, renewable energy and sustainable agriculture to empower women and communities to attain economic self-sufficiency and sustainable and equitable development. The Mantra Mapuche Chapter was designed to use solar energy to alleviate poverty and empower the Mapuche communities to lead lives of self-reliance, meet their own basic needs and attain economic self-sufficiency, respecting human rights in harmony with their culture and the environment. The Musike Project involved research, recovery, documentation, conservation and dissemination of the ethnomusicological heritage. The Akarma Project fostered a clean sustainable system change while ensuring clean processes, products and complex devices for future generations. The Lila Project was created as a global virtual think-tank platform to co-create and implement transdisciplinary cultural and development policies.